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## All numbers point to discovery of area's potential



Construction began in August for the huge warehouse complex for Dial Corp. near Highway 111 and Interstate 270.  
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### Region is new gateway to industry

By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

When it comes to private development in the Metro East, the gateways — as in Gateway International Raceway in Madison and Gateway Commerce Center near Mitchell — are leading the way.  
 With three major races this year, and at least four scheduled for next year's season, Gateway International Raceway in Madison has been a "resounding success," said James Pennekamp, executive director of the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois.

The Leadership Council recently released its Market Review and Investment Update for 1996-97.  
 At the top of development projects list was the raceway.  
 He said the project — an initial \$25 million investment, with at least \$4 million more to be spent at the facility in the near future, is spurring development throughout the region and is a "wonderful example" of how the region's infrastructure development can attract business.  
 "Someone came to the metropolitan area, evaluated the entire metropolitan area, and decided the best effort would be right there in Madison," he said. "It has been a resounding success. Far more successful than any of us imagined. It's also one of the projects — in fact the first

project — which has been adopted lock, stock and barrel by our neighbors in Missouri."  
 He noted that during the first major race — the CART PPG IndyCar Motorola 300 on Memorial Day weekend — radio and television broadcasts came from "Madison, Ill."  
 "That quickly changed to St. Louis Metro," Pennekamp said. "So it's really captured the imagination of people."  
 "That's good, quite frankly," he said. "That facility itself has generated demand for hotel rooms and all kinds of ancillary facilities."

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### Study accentuates the positives

By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

For the last several years, the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois has described the Metro East as a place to be discovered.

Now it has finally happened, said James Pennekamp, executive director of the council.  
 The leadership council's annual Market Review and Investment Update cites nearly a 60 percent increase in major commercial and industrial development totaling hundreds of millions of dollars.

"Previously, we were talking a great deal about the potential of southwestern Illinois," Pennekamp said. "We did some marketing and there is a marked change now, going from talking about potential to managing success."  
 "I think we have been discovered."

The annual review was released Nov. 12, and is a compilation of economic data for Madison and St. Clair counties in Illinois. It reviews major investments by economic sector — including commercial, residential, institutional, industrial, infrastructure and educational.  
 Pennekamp said one of the keys to growth in the Metro East is investment in the transportation infrastructure.

"All through that period of time, we were working on those projects which would become a catalyst for private sector development," he said.  
 Over the last six years, transportation projects totaling more than \$504 million have been completed in the area, he said. Those include the \$274 million Poplar Street Bridge rehabilitation and the \$114 million Clark Bridge in Alton.

Major projects totaling almost \$1 billion under way include MidAmerica Airport (\$250 million), the extension of Interstate 255 to Highway 143 (\$276 million), and the planned expansion of MetroLink to St. Clair County (\$248.9 million).

"One of the things that has occurred, based upon mostly transportation infrastructure, is creating new opportunities, and

**"All the things we've done in the past have really begun to generate the investment from the private sector."**

James Pennekamp  
 council executive director

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### Regional leader dies

Carl E. Mathias, longtime community leader and assistant vice president of Illinois Power, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997.  
 Mathias of Granite City was an active promoter of the Metropolitan St. Louis area and worked with numerous organizations in assisting the economic development to the entire region. He served on the board and executive committee of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association.  
 He was instrumental in creating the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois (see related stories) of which he served as president.  
 Mathias also served as com-

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missioner and chairman of the board of the Bi-State Development Agency, where he was involved in planning for MetroLink and the new MidAmerica Airport.  
 He served St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City as a member of the long-range planning committee and as a member of the Board of Directors of Providence Occupational Health Services. He was formerly chairman of the board for WINGS, the organization responsible for raising funds for the hospital.  
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### Holiday swap

The Wednesday Granite City Journal will be delivered on Thursday, Nov. 27, and the Press-Record will be sold on Wednesday, Nov. 26.  
 The papers will resume their normal delivery days the following week.  
 Be sure to watch for the

special Thanksgiving Day edition of your Journal newspaper.  
 This exciting issue of your Journal will feature special holiday sales information, a tempting array of seasonal recipes and much, much more.

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JOHN FULLER, Meteorologist, KAMPVILLE, ILLINOIS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
53°/37°	47°/33°	55°/37°	52°/33°	52°/33°

## Students enjoy digging into history

Activities range from fossils to the Internet

By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

They reached into the bag, bringing out pieces of bone, obsidian, arrowheads and pottery.  
 Along with the artifacts, they had information cards with various clues.  
 Then they had to think.

For the fifth-grade students in Teresa Meador and Nancy Marti's classes at Frohardt Elementary School, it was a chance to learn about the American Indians who lived here hundreds and thousands of years ago.

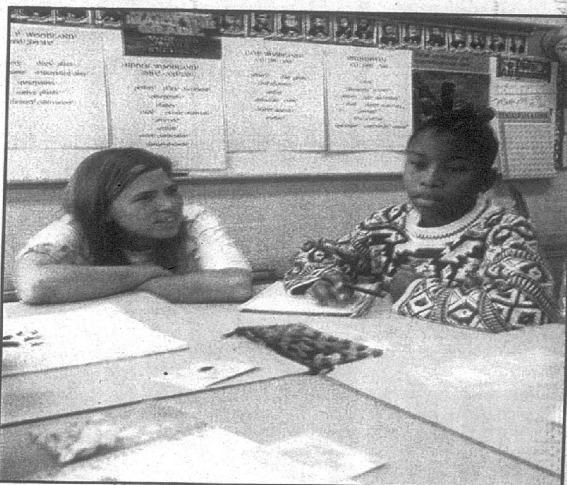
As part of the Illinois State Board of Education's Museum in the Classroom program, the students have been taking part in a two-year program involving archeology and web-site technology.  
 Marti said the school received a two-part, two-year grant last year from the ISBE.

**"It's giving the students a chance to explore the past in a hands-on manner."**

Kristen Runyon

short presentation, they participated in hands-on projects with the children.  
 Michael Lange, an archeologist with CAA, said the Museum in the Classroom project is connecting museums and classrooms all over the state.  
 "Since we're archeology, we're working to create some sort of archeologi-

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Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Kristen Runyon, an archeologist from the Center for American Archaeology in Kampsville, left, encourages Frohardt School fifth grader Sabrina Fields, right, to draw her own conclusions about the culture which created the artifacts her group of students examined. As part of the Illinois State Board of Education's Museum in the Classroom program, the students have been taking part in a two-year program involving archeology and web-site technology.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR



# Bridge of dreams

Planners believe if they build it, motorists will come

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Because of increased development, the Illinois Department of Transportation is running out of places to place the approaches to the proposed new bridge across the Mississippi River.

IDOT plans to file a "corridor protection plan" in St. Clair County courts. With the plan in place, owners could not sell or make major developments to the land needed as right of way for the bridge without notifying IDOT, which would then have the opportunity to purchase the land.

About 50 people attended a public hearing on the corridor protection plan Wednesday evening at the Cahokia Mounds Interpretive Center.

The proposed eight-lane bridge would cross the river just south of the McKinley Bridge, and would tie in to a relocated Highway 3 near what is now National City, Highway 203 near Gateway International Raceway in Madison, and Interstates 64 and 55/70.

The total cost for the bridge and approaches on both sides of the river is more than \$500 million dollars.

Public comment will be taken on the plan through Dec. 3, said John McCarthy of Sverdrup Corp. After the public comment period, the plan would be filed in court in early 1988.

"Basically what we are interested in trying to do is preserve the corridor so we can get an approach from both Interstate 64 and I-55/70 to this north bridge location," he said. "There has been a lot of development on the Illinois side of the river in this approach area; obviously the most prominent example has been the (Gateway International) racetrack."

He said in the original approach alignment for years ago, the highway would have gone directly over the racetrack.

"Obviously, given the capital investment and the jobs that are associated created by that particular project, we worked to realign and go around that facility on the north side," he said. "We're running out of

**"We're running out of options to be able to find a place to locate the highway and the approaches to the bridge."**

John McCarthy  
Sverdrup Corp.

options to be able to find a place to locate the highway and the approaches to the bridge."

Tom Siekmann, a location studies engineer with IDOT District 8, said Wednesday's hearing was just one step in a very long process before the bridge is built — probably in 10 years if funding is available for construction.

"The whole process is to inform the public of the needed right of way so we can avoid costly and conflicting development in the prescribed corridor, so it doesn't preclude the alignment," he said about the hearing. "We're trying to accommodate and have the least impact that we can."

"It's rapidly developing in that area, and we don't want to put the cost on the taxpayer for any more than we have to, and if right-of-way costs become too high it almost becomes prohibitive," he added.

Cost and the availability of funding are major concerns.

"Presently we have funding in our program for some land acquisition," he said.

In the multi-year plan, he said, IDOT has about \$14.4 million of archaeological, preliminary engineering and utility relocation costs.

"But the substantial construction costs are not included," he said. "Counting the Missouri approach, the Illinois approach and the main structure itself, we're exceeding half a billion dollars. So it's an extensively large project."

Public input ranged from concerns from affected land-



Staff photo by SCOTT COUSINS

From left: Rich Piloski of Edwardsville, John McCarthy of Sverdrup and Ron Rohn of Belleville discuss plans for the new bridge.



Staff photo by SCOTT COUSINS

A group checks out blueprint plans of the bridge.

owners to questions about design.

Sam Apponey, who owns about 3½ acres in National City, said the approach would cut through his land. He added he had been negotiating the sale of the land.

Peter Steuterman of St. Louis is asked if the new bridge would help, saying that many times by the time such a development is finished it is obsolete.

McCarthy said studies showed that an eight-lane

bridge was about all that could be added because the highway system could not absorb any more traffic. He also said in addition to the bridge, they were looking at traffic control systems to increase efficiency and increasing the use of MetroLink to bring people across the river.

Rich Piloski of Edwardsville came to hear about the proposed bridge. An employee of Continental Cement Co. in St.

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## Madison man among 4 facing drug charges

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A Madison man is facing federal drug charges after being indicted Tuesday in East St. Louis.

Paul Tillman Barnett, 32, of Madison, was one of four people charged in a superseding indictment with conspiracy to distribute and possess with the intent to distribute methamphetamine and other controlled substances. He also faces an additional charge of money laundering.

Also charged were Larry Hudson, 61, of Eagle Creek, Mo.; Robert Little, 59, and Jesse E. Bromley, 53, both of Sun Valley, Calif.

Prosecutors are also seeking forfeiture of \$1.2 million. The indictments, handed down by a federal grand jury in East St. Louis, were originally suppressed, but have since been unsealed.

If convicted, each defendant faces a minimum of 10 years in prison, and a sentence of life. They also face fines of up to \$4 million. On the money laundering charge, Barnett could face a maximum penalty of 10 years and a \$250,000 fine. All federal sentences are served without the possibility of parole.

The original indictment, handed down Aug. 21, charged Hudson, Little, Jack L. Willman Jr., 30, of Madison, and Donald Richmond, 44, of Middlebrook, Mo., with conspiracy to dis-

tribute and possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine.

Willman and Richmond have pleaded guilty and are awaiting sentencing.

The investigation was part of the U.S. Attorney's Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. Participating agencies in the investigation were the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Internal Revenue Service Division of Criminal Investigation, and the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwest-

ern Illinois.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy G. Massey is prosecuting the case.

In an unrelated matter, W. Charles Grace, U.S. attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced that the Collinsville, Madison County States Attorney and MEGSI were among 13 agencies receiving asset forfeiture awards.

The agencies shared more than \$132,000 in seized assets.

Since 1987, the U.S. District Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois has distributed more than \$13 million to federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

Among agencies receiving funds were:

— Collinsville — \$68,274.50  
— Illinois State Police — \$5,664.60  
— Madison County State's Attorney — \$8,486.60

## Holbrook seeks third term in 113th District

By Cheryl A. Moody  
Staff writer

State Rep. Tom Holbrook, D-Belleville, is seeking re-election to his third term for District 113.

Holbrook, a Belleville resident, said to his knowledge he is, so far, the only candidate to formally announce intentions of seeking nomination during the March 17 primary elections.

About 100,000 residents live in District 113, which runs from Belleville to the northern limits of Granite City. Caseyville, Fairmont City, Madison (city), St. Clair and Stook Township are some of the areas he represents.

Holbrook said his top three priorities for the upcoming spring legislative session and 1990 campaign are economic development, senior citizens and campaign finance reform.

He said he is particularly concerned with the business development of MidAmerica Airport, the development of MetroLink from St. Louis to East St. Louis to MAA and

the I-255 and I-270 region.

"That area (I-255 and I-270) is being touted as Earth City II," Holbrook said, comparing the area to Earth City, Mo.

An early supporter of MetroLink, Holbrook helped to procure \$250,000 for Belleville Area College to accommodate the light rail extension.

Holbrook said he is seeking to improve the Circuit Breaker Program, a tax relief program for low income senior citizens.

"I want to raise the cap limit from \$12,000 to \$14,000," Holbrook said. "I also would like to expand the pharmaceutical items that are covered."

Campaign finance reform is another issue Holbrook said he sees as important.

"The legislation we passed just a month ago out of the Illinois House would ban both the personal use of campaign contributions and ban lobbyists from offering legislators gifts," Holbrook said. "The legislation also included campaign contribution limitations and reformed the way the state does business with private contractors."

"If the Senate fails to act on it, I certainly see it as a hot topic for the '88 campaign."

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## OBITUARIES

## Carl Mathias

CARL EDWARD MATHIAS, 73, of Granite City died at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997. He was born April 27, 1924, in Pana, Ill.

Mr. Mathias graduated from the Tower Hill Illinois High School in 1941. He retired from Illinois Power in 1987, where he was the Assistant Vice President, but remained active in regional economic development activities. He was an active promoter of the Metropolitan St. Louis area and worked with numerous organizations in assisting the economic development of the entire St. Louis region. He served on the board and executive committee of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association. He was instrumental in creating and serving as president of the leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois. He was formerly commissioner and chairman of the board of the St. Louis Development Agency.

Mathias also served the St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City as a member of the long-range planning committee and as a member of the Board of Directors of Providence Occupational Health Services. He was former Chairman of the Board of WINOS, the organization responsible for hospital fund raising.

Mr. Mathias served as a staff sergeant in the Army 103rd Infantry Division in Europe during World War II. His military decorations included a Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action.

He was active in Rotary and a member of the Niederrheinghaus United Methodist Church in Granite City. He was a 50-year member of Tower Hill Masonic Lodge #493.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Betty (Curtis) Mathias; a daughter, Carla Jean Mathias of West Lafayette, Ind.; and a brother, Norman Mathias of Ocala, Fla. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bert and Lena (Wakelief) Mathias.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 22, at Twin Chapel, 10011 N. Hwy. 10, Walter officiating. Graveside services were in Tower Hill City Cemetery in Tower Hill, Ill.

Memorials are suggested to St. Elizabeth Medical Center Health Foundation.

**William Fischer**

WILLIAM C. FISCHER, 76, of Granite City, formerly of Bonne Terre, Mo., died at 9:37 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997, at his home. He was born May 17, 1921, in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Mr. Fischer was a box maker for Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company in Crystal City, Mo., for 31 years and retired in 1977. Prior to that he lived in the Carpenter, Ill., area and was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council 1025, in Granite City, Mo., and a fourth-degree member of the Cardinal Glennon Council in Bonne Terre, Mo.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret (Phillips) Fischer, whom he married May 19, 1941, in Crystal City, Mo.; three sons, Allen, John, and Robbie Fischer, all of Bonne Terre, Mo.; two daughters, Darlene, David, and Granite City, and Pamela Staufenbiel of Arnold, Mo.; a brother, Richard Fischer of Festus, Mo.; three sisters, Rosie Brischley and Juanita Saunders, both of Mt. Zion, Ill., and Connie Burkard of Festus, Mo.; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William H. and Louise (Brooks) Fischer, and three brothers, Leslie, Ralph, and Frederick Fischer.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 22, at St. Charles Catholic Church in Edwardsville with the Rev. John Corrado officiating. Burial was in Quercus Grove Cemetery near Edwardsville.

Arrangements were handled by Dunderman Mortuary, Ltd., Hamel, Ill.

**William F. CODY JOHNSON, 18,** of Austin, Texas, formerly of Granite City, died at 6:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, 1997, at Breckenridge Hospital in Austin, Texas. He was born Dec. 9, 1979, at Scott Air Force Base.

Mr. Johnson was a senior at Crockett High School in Austin.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Barbara (Bain) Spence of Austin, Texas; his father, Carl Earl of Granite City; his sister, Mabel Gonzales of Austin, Texas; two brothers, Zachary Samuel Johnson and Xavier Jay Spence, both of Austin, Texas; maternal grandparents, William Bain of Lebanon, Ill., and Shirley Bain of Lebanon, Ill.; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Louise of Granite City; and many uncles, great-aunts, aunts, and cousins.

Services were at Fairview Baptist Church on Monday, Nov. 17, with the Rev. Charley Lovey officiating. Burial was in Assumption Cemetery in Austin, Texas.

## Martin Graham

MARTIN JOHN GRAHAM, 78, of Pontoon Beach, formerly of Madison, Mo., died Nov. 19, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born in Madison and lived most of his life there.

Mr. Graham was a member of the St. John United Church of Christ. He was a member of the church council and Junior Achievement. He was a World War II Army veteran and served from 1945 to 1947.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Ramona (Nelson) Wachter, whom he married in 1947, in Granite City; two daughters, Lauren Fechte and Joan Breitenberg both of Atlanta, Ga.; and one brother, Donald Wachter of Decatur, Ill.

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Mr. Graham was a Navy veteran. He was self-employed as a plumber. He was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Jean (Poe) Graham.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Josephine Fannie (Barthelmy) Graham.

Services were Friday, Nov. 21, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Burial was in National Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

**William Wachter**

WILLIAM A. WACHTER, 70, of Granite City died at 8:28 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born May 12, 1927, in Granite City and was a lifetime resident.

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He was born March 2, 1928, in St. Louis.

Mr. Compton was a beer brewer for Anheuser-Busch and retired after 41 years of service. He was a member of Local 8 Brewers and Malsters. He was a seaman for the Merchant Marines during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores (Wyckoff) Compton of Glen Carbon; two sons, Michael Compton of St. Louis and Shawn Compton of Cahokia; a daughter, Deborah Pemberton of Belleville; two stepsons, Mike Bohannon of Charleston, S.C., and Roy Jones of Collinsville; two stepdaughters, Kathy Bohannon of Pontoon Beach and Julie Jones of Collinsville; two stepgranddaughters; a stepgrandson; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Julia (McCarthy) Compton and two brothers, Bill and James Compton.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Harr Funeral Home in Collinsville. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the funeral home with the Rev. Guy Davis officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested to the American Lung Association or to the Salvation Army.

**Richard Rogers Sr.**

RICHARD L. ROGERS SR., 51, of Maryville, formerly of Collinsville and Granite City, died Saturday, Nov. 8, 1997, at his home. He was born Nov. 2, 1946, in Granite City.

Mr. Rogers was a shipping clerk for many years at Glasser Drugs. He was a member of Maryville Assembly of God and the Royal Rangers of the church.

Survivors include two sons, Richard L. Rogers Jr. of Edwardsville and Michael Rogers of Collinsville; a brother, Kenneth Rogers of Maryville; and his mother, Dorothy Chamion Rogers.

Services were Wednesday, Nov. 19, at Camagna-Schultz Funeral Home in Ashley with the Rev. Tom John's Cemetery in Granite City. Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association or to the donor's choice and will be received at the funeral home.

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He was preceded in death by his father, John Thurman Rogers; a son, Christopher Rogers; two sisters, Barbara Hastings and Kathy Hudson; and one brother, Charles Rogers.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 11, at Maryville Assembly of God with the Rev. Shane Sauce officiating. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel in Granite City.

## Charles Holt

CHARLES L. HOLT, 76, of Ashley, Ill., died Sunday, Nov. 16, 1997, at the Washington County Hospital in Nashville, Ill. He was born Jan. 19, 1921, in Lake County, Tenn.

Mr. Holt retired as a cook on river tugboats. He was a member of the Ashley United Methodist Church. He served in the U.S. Air Force in World War II.

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# Word is out, walls coming down

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

For many years regionalism, exemplified by the wall that seemed to blind Missourians to anything good happening in Illinois, has been a huge hurdle in the Metro East's economic development.

But officials with the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois are beginning to see a change.

James Pennekamp, executive director of the leadership council, said one of the reasons was the creation of its annual Market Review and Investment Update, which came out Nov. 12.

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said. "There was a great void of information, so we started to produce this in response."

Regionalism remains a problem, but as easily developed space in Missouri dwindles the open areas of Illinois are attracting more and more attention.

"One of the things we see happening is that some of the folks who have demonstrated a lot of competency and success in other parts of the metropoli-

tan area are now looking here, and quite frankly, what they are seeing is that the Illinois side of the river is now the place to be doing deals for the foreseeable future," he said. "It is in a very real sense in their minds the future of St. Louis."

Pennekamp said they are becoming more and more involved with Missouri leaders and developers, especially through the Regional Com-

merce and Growth Association. Copies of the annual update will be sent to all the RCMA members.

"I don't think anybody is satisfied, including the RCMA, in building these relationships," Pennekamp said. "But the hard, cold reality is that there have been years and years of fractionalization."

However, he said in the end it boils down to the bottom line.

"People are going to go where they can get a good deal, and we have created an environment that is very attractive to developers. But primarily of individuals working in the service, retail and manufacturing industries. These three industries constitute 79.7 percent of the work force."

Retail sales in southwestern Illinois totaled more than \$3.5 billion in 1996. Communities leading the region included Fairview Heights (\$629.3 million), Belleville (\$428.7 million), and Alton (\$337.2 million).

ing funding for such projects. "We have done a good job in attracting funds to do a lot of the projects that are now nearing completion," he said. "It is an ongoing challenge because transportation funding is at a premium, both in the state of Illinois as well as the federal level."

## Chancellor committee completed

Southern Illinois University President Ted Sanders has announced the addition of two students to the Chancellor Search Committee for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, thus completing the roster of 12 members.

Other members represents faculty, state administrators and alumni. The students are Audrey Johnson of Chicago, president of the Student Senate, and Michelle Williams of Edwardsville, also a member of the Student Senate and a native of Bond County.

Other members of the committee announced include Shirley Fortwood, professor of historical studies; Jerry Pogatsnik, associate professor of physics; Marsha Puro, associate professor of nursing; Allen Otsuka, associate professor of dental medicine; and John Borsas, assistant professor of educational leadership.

Sanders said Pogatsnik will chair the committee. The members of the committee were selected by the president from nominations submitted by the governance constituencies of the University and the Alumni Association.

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## Area development fast facts

• The number of firms doing business in Madison and St. Clair counties increased to 10,180 in 1996 from 7,178 in 1991.

• The labor force in the two-county area was 243,228 in 1996 — 126,690 in Madison County and 116,538 in St. Clair County.

• The unemployment rate in Madison County remained unchanged from 1995 to 1996 at 5.6 percent, while the St. Clair County rate dropped to 6 percent from 6.1 percent.

• The southwestern Illinois workforce is made up primarily of individuals working in the service, retail and manufacturing industries. These three industries constitute 79.7 percent of the work force.

• Retail sales in southwestern Illinois totaled more than \$3.5 billion in 1996. Communities leading the region included Fairview Heights (\$629.3 million), Belleville (\$428.7 million), and Alton (\$337.2 million).

• 1996 housing starts in Madison County topped the 1,000 mark for the fourth consecutive year, with 1,072 residential building permits issued. There were 898 housing starts in St. Clair County, a 21 percent increase over 1995.

• Madison and St. Clair counties have 122 miles of interstate highway.

• The U.S. Inland Waterways System connects southwestern Illinois with industrial centers in 15 states located along the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Illinois and Tennessee rivers, the Great Lakes and the Gulf of Mexico.

• As part of the bi-state St. Louis region, southwestern Illinois is the second largest rail center in the United States. The region handles approximately 10,000 rail cars a month, contains more than 30 rail road yard facilities. The region is served by nine trunk line railroads, with more than 40 rail lines radiating to all parts of North America.

## Council

(Continued from Page 1A) those opportunities are being taken advantage of," Pennekamp said.

"All the things we've done in the past have really begun to generate the investment from the private sector."

That includes \$336.1 million in commercial investments that either have been announced, are under construction or have been completed since 1985.

Pennekamp said there were a number of new commercial projects in the area, ranging from motels spurred by the development of Gateway International Raceway to new drug stores.

"All indicating increased demand for services," he said. "While there has been no real increase in the number of industrial jobs in the region, Pennekamp said investment

has helped stabilize the region. "We're seeing companies continue to reinvest, and we've seen this consistently over the past decade. That means these folks are going to be competitive and they're going to be in business."

"What we have seen is stability after a large downsizing, so the positive side of that is the companies are doing what is necessary to remain in competition."

The real area of job growth has been in the service area, which has "exploded," he said. For the future, Pennekamp said the council's top priority is the new bridge across the Mississippi River, along with other improvements in the infrastructure.

"As far as the leadership council is concerned it (new bridge) is the No. 1 regional transportation priority."

The preliminary study and engineering phase for the project, an eight-lane bridge connecting I-70 in Missouri to I-70 and 64, and highways 203 and 3 in Illinois just south of the McKinley Bridge, is nearing completion. He said they are focusing on obtaining funds for the second phase of the project, the detailed engineering work.

Including the engineering for the Illinois approaches, which are massive. If you look at that, the Illinois approach work is — in terms of size — as big as the bridge.

"What that new bridge will do, in conjunction with the approaches, is allow Illinois drivers to make a decision on which route they will actually use," he said.

One of the council's major concerns is to continue obtaining funding for such projects.

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Veterans of Foreign Wars District 14 and Auxiliary honored ten Past District Commanders and 17 District Commanders attending the Carlyle Post 3523 dinner-meeting in November.

Commander J.C. Grantham, Scott Air Force Base 4183, and President Carol Blue, Belleville 1739, presided.

Illinois Assistant Adjutant Clayton "Butch" Kelly served as the department representative. Illinois Auxiliary officers introduced were Alice Lynch, Marian Pollmann, Sandra Houk, and Jean Beasley.

Eleven Auxiliaries entered the Buddy Poppy wreath contest. Chairwoman Karen Holmeier announced that 3,225 Poppies had been used in the displays. In a very close finish, Trenton 798 was winner, with Chester 3553 second, and O'Fallon 805 third.

Chaplain Lella Dierks reported 200 deaths in Illinois Auxiliaries since the 1997-98 year began on June 22nd.

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NEWS

# Journal Register Company acquires community newspapers

TRENTON, N.J. — Journal Register Company (NYSE:JRC) announced Thursday an agreement to acquire Intercounty Newspaper Group from AUS Inc., Mt. Laurel, N.J.

The Intercounty Newspaper Group includes 17 weekly newspapers in suburban Philadelphia and central and southern New Jersey with total weekly circulation of approximately 300,000.

Included in the acquisition are Nittany Valley Offset, a premium quality sheet-fed printing company in State College, Pa. and Interprint Inc., a commercial printing company in Bristol, Pa., which prints the newspapers.

The cash transaction, valued at approximately \$12.8 million, is expected to close in December. Intercounty Newspaper Group is expected to have revenues for the year ending Dec. 31, 1997, of approximately \$20 million. The acquisition is expected to be accretive within the first year of ownership.

The announcement was made by Journal Register Company Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Robert M. Jelenic.

"We are extremely pleased to

announce this acquisition," Jelenic said. "The Intercounty group has a tremendous team which has created a great deal of value for readers and advertisers. They are a perfect fit with our Pennsylvania and New Jersey properties, and we expect to realize strong revenue growth as well as operating efficiencies."

Nittany Valley Offset is also an excellent addition to Journal Register Company, with its strong reputation for outstanding quality and service in high-end publication printing."

In Pennsylvania, the company owns the Daily Local News, West Chester, serving primarily Chester County; The Times Herald, Norristown, the county seat of Montgomery County; Phoenixville Newspapers, Phoenixville, serving Montgomery and Chester counties; and Suburban Publications, Wayne, serving Delaware, Chester and Montgomery counties along Philadelphia's Main Line.

In New Jersey, Journal Register Company owns The Trentonian, located in Trenton, the state's capital and the county seat of Mercer County. The Trentonian has daily circulation of more than 60,000.

Combined, Journal Register Company newspapers have 122,490 daily

and 99,084 Sunday circulation and 164,000 non-daily distribution in Philadelphia and its surrounding areas. Following the completion of the Intercounty acquisition, Journal Register Company's non-daily distribution in this cluster will increase to approximately 264,000.

The 17 Intercounty newspapers have paid circulation of approximately 160,000 and free distribution of approximately 40,000. The group serves 54 communities in Philadelphia, Montgomery and Bucks counties, Pennsylvania; and Mercer, Burlington, Ocean, Camden and Gloucester counties in New Jersey. Each Intercounty newspaper has a strong emphasis on community news and local sports. The newspapers offer advertisers target marketing opportunities with a variety of retail advertising zones.

Journal Register Company Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Jean B. Clifton said, "Intercounty newspapers have a solid reputation for covering their communities well. The group's local strategy and local focus, its commitment to local news and sports, and its approach to serving advertisers parallels that of our Suburban Jour-

nals in St. Louis." Journal Register Company is a leading U.S. newspaper publishing company that owns 18 daily newspapers and 120 non-daily publications. Journal Register Company has total paid daily circulation of more than 535,000, and following completion of the transaction, will have 137 non-daily publications with total distribution of 2.8 million.

The company's operations are strategically clustered in five geographic areas: Connecticut, Ohio, Philadelphia and its surrounding areas, the greater St. Louis area, and central New England.

Journal Register Company newspapers are characterized by an intense focus on coverage of local news and sports.

Journal Register Company common shares began trading on the New York Stock Exchange in an initial public offering May 8, 1997, under the symbol JRC.

Among the company's principal newspaper properties are the New Haven Register, Connecticut's second largest daily and Sunday newspaper with 100,273 daily and 133,269 Sunday circulation, and the St. Louis Suburban Journals, which comprise the

largest group of weekly newspapers in the U.S., based on the Journals' total distribution of 1.5 million.

The majority of Journal Register Company daily newspapers have been published for more than 100 years and are established franchises with strong identities in the communities they serve. The New Haven Register, established in 1812, has roots in the New Haven community dating to 1755.

The Times Herald, Norristown, Pa., established in 1799, is the 12th oldest continuously published newspaper in the U.S. The News-Herald, Lake County, Ohio, was established in 1878; the Daily Local News, West Chester, Pa., in 1872; and The Herald News, Fall River, Mass., in 1872.

This news release contains forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially.

These include, but are not limited to, the success of the company's acquisition strategy, competitive pressures and general or regional economic conditions. Some additional risk factors are outlined in the company's prospectus.

## Each must decide fund management method

Two heads are better than one, and three or more heads may even be better than that. Bloomberg Personal, a financial publication for individual investors, recently compared the performance of mutual funds managed by one individual to those managed by teams and found that the team-managed funds did better.

Part of the reason for this, the study found, was that team funds were able to take on average risk levels and expenses, with substantially less trading of investments within the funds. The result: "Significantly greater long-term results," the study says. Specifically, over a five-year period ending June 30, 1996, teams outperformed individuals



Jeff Prosser

as 1.18 percentage points. (See table.) Leading a \$10,000 investment in one of the individually managed funds during the 15-year period would have grown to \$83,460. The same investment in the average team-managed fund would have grown to \$74,150—a difference of \$9,310.

Bloomberg credits this difference to the discipline of

team investing. Teams generally have strict methods of investing that call for exact criteria to be met before buying or selling.

One fund family that uses the team approach has been doing so for more than 30 years. Each fund is divided into three to eight parts, with seven parts given to seven managers. The last part goes to the research department, where analysts have the opportunity to use ideas that perhaps they could not sell to the managers. Of course, all investing must conform to the fund's objectives. Managers compete with one another and are rated and compensated on their results.

Team management also provides the opportunity to combine different strengths. Since a good investor sees about half of his or her ideas succeed, the trick is to get out of the bad ones. Teamwork helps managers do so more quickly and

more effectively. They don't feel the need to rationalize a mistake by hanging on to a bad stock for too long.

However, many successful, high-quality funds are managed by single individuals. Proponents of individual management say they prefer one person being accountable for investment decisions.

You must decide whether you prefer team or individual management. No matter what your choice, the important thing is that you first evaluate a fund's management.

## IATA offers financial educational program

The Illinois Agricultural Training Alliance is offering an educational program focusing on improving financial management and maximizing profit.

Agricultural Business College classes will begin in December. This three-part curriculum developed by AgriSolutions Inc. is designed to help producers better understand and manage business.

The college offers three classes: "AS 101: Talking Control of Your Farm Business" focuses on understanding financial reports, performing a financial analysis and managing assets and operations.

"AS 201: Assessing Opportunities in Your Farm Business" explores debt and equity management, improving profit-

ability through cost accounting and improving cash flow.

"AS 301: Leading Your Farm Business" shows producers how to establish business and personal goals, build a business plan and evaluate business possibilities through multi-year financial forecasting.

Participants will learn to assess operational and management efficiency, and develop an operational strategic plan to improve existing situations and generate the biggest return on investment.

The courses will be conducted by AgriSolutions.

AS 101 will be offered at 12 locations throughout Illinois beginning Dec. 1 and ending in March. AS 201 will be at three locations beginning in February and AS 301 will be at

three locations beginning in March.

Members of the Illinois Agricultural Training Alliance include the Illinois Corn Growers Association, Illinois Farm Bureau, Farm Credit Services,

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## MILESTONES

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Dola Buehner celebrated her birthday Nov. 16.  
Carla Heuer celebrated her 27th birthday Nov. 17.

Beth Shipley celebrated her 10th birthday Nov. 18.  
Don "Chief" Parente celebrated his birthday Nov. 21.

Richard Dean Wells, Jr., celebrated his 18th birthday Nov. 21.  
Matthew Edwards celebrated his birthday Nov. 21.

Amber Padgett celebrated her 9th birthday Nov. 21.  
Michael L. Dawson celebrated his 28th birthday Nov. 22.

Jordan Hogan celebrated his 6th birthday Nov. 22.  
Eric Thornberry celebrated his 26th birthday Nov. 22.

Beau Tatum celebrates his 10th birthday today, Nov. 23.  
Debbie Fesenstra celebrates her birthday today, Nov. 23.

Conrad L. Froehlich celebrates his 46th birthday today, Nov. 23.

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## Agency winner

LFI Temps Inc. has announced their October contest winner. LFI Temps, a job-placement service that specializes in industrial help, are having monthly drawings for a cash prize of \$100. Any applicant who completes the job search survey gets a ticket entering them in the drawing. The winner for October was Chris Duckworth, who has worked for LFI since July.

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## Childbirth Refresher Class

The Childbirth Refresher Class is designed to give experienced parents updated information about the latest trends in labor, delivery and newborn care. Limited to those who will deliver at Memorial, this class is held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. \$5 per couple fee. For more information, call 257-5855.

## Vaginal Birth After Cesarean (VBAC) Class

This class addresses questions about vaginal births after cesarean (VBAC) and why VBAC's can be safer than repeat cesarean deliveries for both mother and baby. You also will learn how to maximize your chances of having a vaginal birth. Class meets 7-9 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. It is free to those attending Prepared Childbirth or Refresher Classes (we strongly recommend attending these as well) or \$5 fee per couple if not taking these classes. Call 257-5855 to register.

## Baby Care and Parenting Classes

This two-session program teaches you how to care for, play with and protect your infant from birth to age 12 months. Topics presented include: newborn care, infant feeding, baby bathing, when to call the

doctor, home and toy safety, returning to work, finding a good babysitter and traveling with baby. Held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the third and fourth Wednesday of every month, this class has a \$5 per couple fee. Call 257-5855 to register.

## Sibling Class

Memorial Maternity Center offers a Sibling Class to make it easier for big brothers and sisters to prepare for and accept a new baby. This class is designed for children ages 3 through 12 and meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month. Limited to children whose sibling will be born at Memorial Maternity Center. \$2 per child fee. Class size is limited and reservations are requested. Call 257-5855.

## New Family

## Night

Once you have a baby, take time for an informal evening out. Meet with other new parents and a registered nurse to discuss

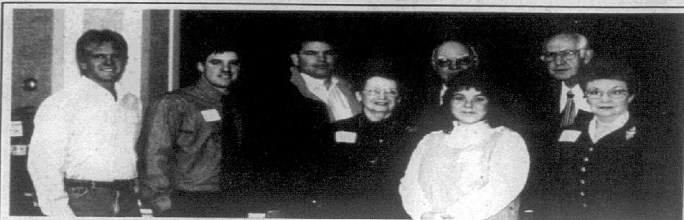
parenting concerns and have questions answered. Held 7-8:30 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. Infants welcome; \$5 per couple. Call 257-5855 to register.

## Prenatal Breastfeeding Class

This class is designed to provide vital information to those who are considering breastfeeding their baby. The class meets from 7 to 9 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month. This class has a \$5 fee per couple. Both parents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 257-5855.

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## New members

The Congregation of St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, celebrated the reception of eight new members into the fellowship of the church on Nov. 16. Pictured from left to right are: Chris DeRuntz, Michael Speer, Edward O'Gara, Marion Morris, J. Bruce Morris, Julie Merz, William Ledbetter, and Carolyn Ledbetter.

## ORGANIZATIONS

## Young at Heart

Young at Heart senior citizens of Holy Family Catholic church held its monthly meeting on Oct. 20, in the church community center.

The meeting was called to order by President Irma Manning. Sister Jean Patrick led the group in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the September meeting were read by the recording secretary, Cleola Siebert, followed by the treasurer's report given by Cecelia Mance. Friendship chairperson, Mary Rita Ahlers, sent a get well card to Francis Bringer, and sympathy cards to Lucille Mossa on the death of her mother, Mickey Krusec on

the death of her brother, and the family of William Zinn, due to his death.

Mickey Krusec thanked members for their cards of sympathy.

Connie McGee, membership chairperson, reported 73 members in attendance with one new member: Mary Williams.

Birthdays celebrated in October were: Helen Mooshegan, Rose Steele, Viola Holder, Ruby Patton, Adele Balcer, Catherine Fedora, and Louise Gwasda.

Anniversaries celebrated in October were Mattie and George Sotiroff 45 years.

Irma Manning, President, reminded members to bring their canned goods to the November and December meet-

ings in order to fill the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the needy.

Sylvia Opich took reservations for the Young at Heart Christmas dinner. The Christmas dinner will be held at the monthly meeting on Dec. 15, and the price is \$7, and is for paid up members only. Cut off date for reservation and payment is Dec. 8.

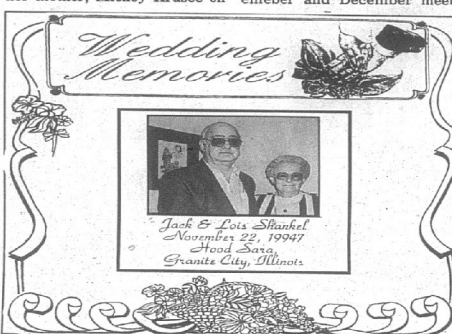
Cleo Schneke thanked everyone who helped serve the refreshments.

Attendance prizes were won by: Rosemary Schmidt, John Dezan, Al Mossa, Rosemary Rudy, Ann Bicanic, Mattie Sotiroff, Helen Noth, Katherine Sawicki, Ruth Rotter, and Jan Oberle.

Reservations are being taken for the trip to Steelville, Mo., to the Meramec Music Show on Dec. 14, price of \$24 includes transportation, dinner, and show. Cut-off date for reservations and payment is Dec. 5.

Young at Heart members were entertained by the Eagles Drill team headed by Barbara Brant. They performed baton twirling and various drills. The

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## NEWS



Alyse Richardson, left, studies a map giving the locations in which the artifacts fellow Frohardt fifth grader Rachel Harris, right, examines them. The students learned how archaeologists must justify their theories in the absence of first-hand witnesses from the cultures they study.



Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Frohardt fifth-grade teacher Teresa Meador, left, watches as her students, Erica Ashby, Michelle Robinson, Zachary Leser and Brett Dickerson, left to right, examine a packet of artifacts from Kampsville during a teaching exercise in which they play the part of archaeologists.

## Project

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cally-based web site," Lange said.

"The entire area of the lower Illinois Valley is excruciatingly important," he said. "There are seven centers around the world wherein agriculture was developed spontaneously. Those include here, Central America, South America, China, the Indus Valley in India, Egypt, and the Tigris/Euphrates area of Mesopotamia (now Iraq)."

"This ranks up there with that kind of importance," he said. "The Koster Site did a lot to put the lower Illinois Valley on the map."

"We're working with the kids to get them interested—not only in learning, but archaeology specifically. We're not

trying to recruit archaeologists necessarily, but we're trying to get them to think about archaeology as a science, and to get them to think in terms of other cultures and to be aware of the pre-history of the area in which they are living."

As part of the student's "hands-on" experience, they were given a bag with artifacts and clues, and asked to decide what time period and culture was represented.

Those ranged from the Paleo-Indian culture, which roamed the area from about 10,500-8,500 B.C., to the Mississippian, who lived here from about A.D. 1000-1300, and were responsible for building Cahokia Mounds.

"It's giving the students a chance to explore the past in a hands-on manner," said Kris-

ten Runyon, program coordinator for CAA. "They are taking artifacts and clues that archaeologists use to determine different cultural time periods."

Unfortunately, she said they could not bring a mastodon, which was hunted by Paleo-Indians.

"I think it's wonderful," Runyon said. "Introducing archeology to the classroom is neat because it is a cross-disciplined subject. It introduces science, social studies, math and the arts, it really combines things and giving kids a chance to do real-world experience is kind of neat."

Marti said the final project will be the web site. Although the grant will run out at the end of this year, she said they are hoping to extend the program.

## MADD group announces its latest public service contest

Mothers Against Drunk Driving recently announced its fourth annual Public Service Announcement Contest, open to all private and public high schools and colleges in Illinois. This year's theme is "Cool

Kids Drive Sober."

Last year, alcohol-related traffic deaths among youths ages 15-20 increased for the first time in seven years, from 2,206 in 1995 to 2,315 in 1996. This year's first-, second-

and third-place winners will receive monetary prizes to be used by their schools toward the purchase and repair of video and audio equipment. For more information call (312) 762-6266.

## Mathias

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Mathias was a U.S. Army staff sergeant in the 103rd Infantry Division in Europe during World War II. His military decorations included a Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action.

Mathias joined Illinois Power in 1942 as a meter reader, and held several positions in electric operations in Decatur and at the Hennepin power station before being promoted to manager of the Wood River power station in 1957. In 1962, he was promoted to Granite City ser-

vice area manager, and in 1985 was promoted to assistant vice president.

Upon his retirement in 1987, Mathias had been considered one of the principal economic development leaders in the St. Louis area. (See obituary on page 4A.)

## Groups

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group will entertain in Brandon, Mo., in November. After the entertainment, the rest of the evening was spent playing bingo.

## Seniors Unlimited

Seniors Unlimited of Niedringhaus United Methodist Church held their October meeting in Wesley Hall at the church. Gwen Taylor opened the meeting with prayer and then gave a devotion entitled, "Friends". The group all sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" accompanied on the piano by Gwen. After a lunch of chili, Mac, celery and carrot sticks, and cupcakes, interim Pastor William Leckrone introduced the speaker, retired Bishop William Lewis. The Bishop spoke about the United Methodist Village Retirement Community being built at Godfrey.

In keeping with Halloween, several of the group came in costume. Dorothy Davis was judged the best by the audience and her prize was a free lunch. Del Groothuis director, announced a trip, Nov. 19, to an outlet mall at Warrenton, Mo. The group will have lunch at Big Boys Restaurant. Bus will leave the church at 9 a.m. There were 76 in attendance today.

Shirley Campton, Auxiliary Emergency Fund Chairman,

## American Legion

Fifth Division, American Legion Auxiliary, held its fall meeting at the Elks Club in Murphysboro, Ill., on Oct. 12. Reba Bennis, President of the West Frankfort, presided at the business meeting.

Sally Hoyle, President of Murphysboro Auxiliary, welcomed all to the meeting.

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held a drawing for a Halloween wreath and donations of \$54 were given.

Under Children and Youth, it was announced the National President's special project will be donations for the "Children's Miracle Network".

Department seminar will be held in Norma, Ill., in November.

Dorothy Hinson, Field Service Chairman, will conduct an Orientation Course at 11:30 a.m. Jan. 18, before the Fifth Division meeting.

Shirley Hall, Junior Activities Chairman, announced Department Conference will be held in Galesburg on April 18, and 19 in 1998.

Norma Hillmer, Past Fifth Division President, presented her report on the National Convention held in Orlando, Fla., over Labor Day. From the Department Convention, she thanked all units for sending membership to make the Fifth Division first in the Department.

Poppy meeting will be held on March 22, 1998, at Mascoutah, Ill. Ethel Morton, Poppy chairman, reported poppies will be made by hospitalized veterans in the Marion V.A. Hospital and Nursing Home. They will be available in

March.

Dorothy Hinson, Associate Hospital Representative at John Cochran V.A. and Carole Smith, Hospital Representative at Marion V.A. both reported activities held at the facilities.

Margaret Thompson, Fifth Division Membership Chairman recognized two 100 percent Units, Belleville Stookley of 22nd District and Patoka of 23rd District. She urged all units to work on membership and remember to try to have them in by Dec. 31.

Rick Forrester, Fifth Division Commander and Jack Cover, Assistant Department Sergeant-At-Arms, both brought greetings to the members. Commander Forrester will have as his special project, donations to the American Legion National Emergency Fund.

There were two past department presidents in attendance. Dorothy Hinson of Venice-Madison Unit #307, and Audrey Atterbury of Carmi, Ill.

There were 28 units with 52 members in attendance.

Those in attendance from this area were: Dorothy Hinson and Norma Hillmer, both of Venice-Madison Unit #307 Auxiliary.

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## Pairings add controversy to volleyball tournament

You might have thought once Belleville East and Breese Central were eliminated from the recent Illinois High School Association state volleyball tournaments, I would have lost interest.

After all, the final four of Class AA included defending champion Downers Grove South and eventual champ Chicago Mother McAuley while Class A included a school named Kansas, which had me wondering about its location.

Yet, the action at Illinois State University in Normal had an ingredient that only multiplied the efforts by southwestern Illinois schools to get the IHSA to change its method of placing teams in the postseason.

Mentioned and credited here previously are officials from Belleville Althoff, East and West and from O'Fallon who have petitioned the IHSA to get away from the geography of volleyball and enter the world of seeding teams.

This fall, when I again sought an answer from an IHSA official, I forgot that volleyball was not his area and comments on seeding would have to be gotten elsewhere. Meanwhile, Downers Grove South entered the state finals displaying a cloth that had the names "Lockport" and "Stagg" printed on it in a gesture supporting not just two schools who also were entered in the Naperville North Super-Sectional, but ripping the IHSA playoff method. Downers Grove South Coach Denise Lazzaroni said, "We support those teams. You wish you could play them in a situation like the state tournament instead of the supersectional."

"If Lockport would have won, we would have felt better if someone was playing in our behalf. It's kind of a feel-good thing. It could have been any of us. You walk away (from the supersectional) happy, but you wish you could see that caliber of team go on."

Downers Grove South took a 35-5 record and No. 1 ranking in the Chicago area to the state finals while Lockport (34-6) was ranked second and Stagg fifth.

East finished at 31-8 after losing in the Class A quarterfinals while Central closed at 35-2 after bowing in Class A. Meanwhile, no one can be sure whether the northern schools like Downers Grove South have it tougher to get to state than, let's say, East in its rivalry with Althoff and West or Central as it opposes Breese Mater Dei or Red Bud.

The common thought, as indicated by the Downers Grove gesture, is that seeding is done in other sports. Why not in volleyball?

### Footnote

Among the stories Rich Hacker recalled during his recent induction into the Mon-Clair Baseball League Hall of Fame was one from his childhood in New Athens, when he served as a County League scorekeeper, bat boy and foul ball shagger.

"We were playing on the old diamond in New Athens and there was a cemetery in right field," said Hacker, currently a scout for San Diego.

"Whitey Herzog hit a shot that looked like a sure home run into deep rightfield, but the ball hit a tombstone and bounced right back into the outfielder's hands. Sure enough, the ball was relayed home, where Whitey was tagged out."

(See VOELLINGER, Page 3B)

## Granite comes up short vs. Oilers

### Missed free throws prove costly to Lady Warriors in opening game

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

GIRLS BASKETBALL  
WOOD RIVER 43, GRANITE CITY 39

It is certainly not back to the drawing board for the Granite City High School Lady Warriors basketball team, but it is back to the free-throw line. Granite missed 19 of 30 free-throw attempts Wednesday night at Wood River, falling to the host Oilers 43-39 in the season opening game for both teams.

"The effort was there. We played our hearts out," said John Moad after his first game as varsity head coach at GCHS. "We just didn't hit free throws very well. That comes from being young. We know now what we have to work on. This isn't a bad team. We're not far away from being much better than we showed tonight."

What the Lady Warriors did show was plenty of hustle and determination, the ability to play hard-nosed, aggressive defense, and a new up-beat attitude about the game and the season. Granite grabbed a 2-0 lead and held it until Wood River finally countered at the 5:40 mark of the first quarter. Both teams' offenses sputtered as defense held the upper hand early, and through most of the game. The Oilers held a slim 9-8 lead at the first stop.

(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Granite City's Erica Todd brings the ball down court during Wednesday night's opening game with Wood River.

The Lady Warriors scored eight of the first nine points in the second quarter to take a 16-10 lead, the biggest margin by either team on the night. The lead was still six, 23-17, at intermission. And the Wood River foul situation was serious.

At halftime, the Oilers had four players with three fouls, including pesky point guard Tiffany Disher, who picked up a trio of fouls in the game's first 8½ minutes. "We were in serious trouble at half," said Wood River mentor Rick Dwigins. "Unfortunately, we were up to our old tricks again — getting in foul trouble early. That's the way it has been last year and the way it has been in practice this year. You stretch your bench that way. Luckily, we had a couple of kids come in and give us some good minutes."

One of those key bench players was unheralded Amber Dewerrf, whose three-point play off a gutsy driving layup at the five minute mark of the third quarter evened the score at 26-26. The Lady Warriors edged back into the lead on a close-in field goal by Anna Tapp, but the Oilers countered with a pair of free throws and a Selen Taylor spinning lay-up with 12 second remaining to take a 30-28 lead into the final frame.

Granite fell quickly behind by four at

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ALL-JOURNAL BOYS SOCCER TEAM — CLASS AA

## Evers didn't tinker with chance

### Edwardsville goalkeeper was sure thing when it came to stopping opponents

By Brian Bretsch  
Staff writer

There were many deciding factors that led Edwardsville High to a second-place finish at the Illinois High School Association Class AA boys soccer tournament.

However, when it came right down to it, the Tigers rode the hot goalkeeping of Matt Evers. Evers, the Class AA Soccer Player of the Year for the Journal Newspapers of Southern Illinois, allowed just four goals in six post-season soccer games. He recorded three shutouts and had his goals against average in the playoffs was a meager 0.63 in 510 minutes of action. His outstanding play at the state tournament earned him a place on the all-state tournament team.

For the season, he recorded eight shutouts and garnered first team all-Southwestern Conference honors as well as all-state honors by the Illinois

High School Soccer Coaches Association.

"First of all I just think he is a remarkable athlete," Edwardsville soccer coach Mark Schwarzkopf said. "He is really gifted too. He has got good size, good strength level, good leaping ability and his hands are soft. All these technical areas that are required for a great goalkeeper he possesses."

"Secondly, I think as equally as great an athlete he is, is his psychological component of competition. He is tremendous in that he is able to focus on what he needs to do to help us win. Frankly, I think if you separate your average goalkeeper from your great goalkeeper — and I think he was a great goalkeeper for us — the psychological and physical dimension that he possesses enabled him to make the saves that are certain goals in

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(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Edwardsville goalkeeper Matt Evers helped the Tigers reach the Class AA boys soccer championship game.

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Jim Heinen.....Belleville East  
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## They shoot turkeys, don't they?

### Hardly. But local clubs get a boost from these fundraisers, social events

By Garen Vartanian  
Staff writer

While many residents of southern Illinois spend their weekends raking leaves, others have found a different method enjoy the beautiful fall season.

Attending a turkey shoot.

One of the most popular events is the Valmeyer Lakers meat shoot, conducted annually on the last Sunday in October.

This year's gala, which attracted roughly 200 people, was on Oct. 26 at the Fountain Tavern in the middle of Fountain Gap.

"We had a pretty good turnout considering the weather was cold and it looked like it was going to rain all day," said veteran Lakers third baseman Craig Hoffmann, who added Valmeyer uses these and other events to raise money for its Mon-Clair baseball team.

One of the more unique aspects of Valmeyer's event is the turkey bowling that takes place after the shoot.

Participants pay an entry fee for the right to bowl their frozen turkey, won at the shoot, down Market Street in front of JV's in Waterloo.

The top "bowler" from this tradition, which

started last year, wins the ante.

"We had nothing to do with that," Hoffmann said, chuckling. "That started last year. They went to JV's and got a little drunk, I guess, and just started rolling the turkeys down the road. We didn't know they were going to do that."

Nonetheless, "turkey bowling" is one of the shoot's more distinct facets.

As for actually winning the turkey, participants must first purchase a ticket. When that particular number is called, the individual, using a shotgun, puts in a slug and shoots at a target from about 60 feet. The target comes

back on a returning wire and the closest pellet to the middle wins.

"Some people can't hit it, but most can," Hoffmann said. "And if you can, you have a pretty good chance to win. You use a shotgun, so it's chance."

At Valmeyer, a turkey was awarded, whereas at other shoots the winner could collect anything from a ham to cash.

Along with the shoot, Valmeyer also conducted a raffle in which turkeys, hams, bacon and pork sausage were given away.

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# Three more Tigers stood tall this fall

Three more Edwardsville High School players are among the players honored on the All-Journal first team. (Compiled by Brian Bretsch and Scott Marion):

**Chris Norbet, Belleville West**  
A senior and a four-year starter, Norbet was one of the area's top scorers with 19 goals and added 7 assists. He also holds school records for career goals (46), career points (117) and most goals in a game (four).

"He made his mark here," said West coach Bill Houck said of Norbet, a two-time all-state selection. "Late in the year, he slowed down in scoring, but he still made a big impact as far as how many people he took out of the play. He always had two or three guys marking him up."

"He's competitive on and off the field, including academics. He gives his all in everything he does. He started (practice) sessions (for West's players) in the summer and he's been our captain the last two years. He's taken charge."

"I'll miss him as a player and a person. Because he's ranked second in his class, a lot of colleges are interested in him. He's looking at the Air Force Academy, Georgetown, Holy Cross, Vanderbilt and several other schools."

**Larry Scheller, Belleville East**  
A four-year varsity veteran, Scheller had scored only six goals prior to this season. But his 34 goals and 8 assists — including nine game-winning goals — were a big reason why Belleville East (15-3-3) was among the top teams in the St. Louis area.

"I don't know of any other player who had that kind of impact over a complete season," said first-year Lancers coach Gary Carr. "Being a good athlete, he responded well to our method of coaching."

"He's a busy young man. He plays high school baseball in the spring, Legion ball in the summer and basketball in the winter. If I had to pick two forwards to start a team, Larry and my son (Mascoutah's Nick Carr) would be my picks. He hasn't played club soccer for several years, but I hope he'll play for my team (the Force '90)."

Fifteen of Scheller's goals came off head balls.

"It's basically putting basketball and soccer together and using his leaping ability," Carr said. "We had to sew up his uniform a lot this year. It

was ripped twice in our final game against Granite City. He has a tremendous vertical jump. He controls the ball with his head and he gets great elevation."

"He also had the most fouls of anybody on our team. As a striker, he feels everyone has a right to the ball and he tries to maintain possession. We let him go hard."

Scheller had a goal or assist in 13 of East's 21 games, including two goals in each of the last four games.

**Jeff Rhymer, Collinsville**  
A senior striker, he earned all-sectional honors for his relentless playing ability. He finished the season with a dozen goals and 13 assists. He was PK he took during the penalty-kick round against Edwardsville in the sectional semifinals.

Rhymer, a three-year varsity player, has received offers from some good NCAA Division I programs. He is currently leaning toward the University of Evansville.

"We had to put him in different parts of the field to get things done," Collinsville coach Ron Rowden said. "We didn't keep him striking all the time. In some of the bigger games, we had to move him into the center mid. He's a good team player. That's what's nice: He understands all the positions we have moved him in."

"He was our most consistent finisher. He scored in the big games. Against CBC, I think he had one goal and two assists. He has been a leader all year for us. He scored in nine different games."

**Josh Hickam, Granite City**  
A senior, Hickam should have the word everywhere listed as his playing position. He scored 11 goals and collected 9 assists playing in a variety of roles for Granite coach Gene Baker. He played stopper and sweeper as well as playing up top. He is a three-year varsity letter winner.

"His best games were against Rosary and Belleville East, the second time around," Baker said. "He has obvious range. He is about 6-foot-4. He has good ball skills and good feet. He has great potential to be a very good college player."

"He was a big part of what I would call a team of redemption."

tion. They were 11-2 at one point and were really flying high. We were ranked fourth in the St. Louis area. We had a little discipline problem with another small group, which caused our record to wane, but we did respond and comeback to play well. I think Josh was a big part of that."

**Zach Evans, Edwardsville**  
The senior midfielder was honored Thursday night in Chicago for being named all-state from the Sectional 12 area. Evans, a center mid, was instrumental in controlling much of the Tigers attack this season.

"He is a technical master," Edwardsville coach Mark Schwarzkopf said. "It is really strange. He has what I call a subdued arrogance while in possession of the ball. He can do a variety of skillful things with the ball. More than any body, I think he helped create our style. In every game, he helped establish our match tempo."

"A lot of teams are very direct oriented. We're not exactly that way because it's primarily because of our strength at midfield. I think we are better when we try to play from the back to the front. We are better when we try to play through midfield rather than fighting the ball. When we give Evans the ball his creativity just creates problems for the opponent and makes us so much better."

**Dan Deist, Edwardsville**  
A senior right wing midfielder, Deist complemented Evans in controlling the middle of the field. Deist was named the all-sectional team by the Illinois High School Coaches Association.

"He has got some speed and some quickness. He was just tremendous in unning at defenders at taking them and getting behind them," Schwarzkopf said. "He was very successful at doing this throughout the entire season for us. He played well with his back to the goal. He is very good at playing the ball to his feet. He is very good on the goal. That began the process where he could go at defenders and take them on."

**Ryan Jacob, Belleville West**  
A junior midfielder, Jacob had 4 goals and 6 assists.

"He's a flashy player, but he doesn't get a whole lot of notoriety," said West coach Bill Houck. "He likes to set up other people. He always looks two or three passes down the road."

"He's played (varsity) for three years and he's very insightful on the field. If we scored, he was one of the major reasons why."

**Chris Choate, Collinsville**  
A sophomore midfielder, he scored 2 goals and 4 assists for the Kahoks this season. However, he was more valuable to the team than just scoring. He did an outstanding job of controlling the midfield and feeding the ball to the strikers up top, which is why area coaches voted him to the all-sectional team.

Rowden said Choate could become his first four-year varsity starter.

"I think he is the best center mid on this side of the river as a sophomore. If not, he is the top two," Rowden said. "He's going to be a qualified top Division I prospect in the future."

"He's very knowledgeable about the game. He's got great vision, which allows him to change tempo. He'll take on players when he has to, but because he reads the game so well he doesn't have to. A lot of times he reads the game better than — and I hate to say it — a lot of college players, but that is how good he is. He knows when to change pace and do different things. One of the best things about him is his technical ability on the ball."

**Jim Heinen, Belleville East**  
Defense was the name of the game for Heinen, a junior.

"I feel he was the best center-back or stopper on this side of the river and possibly in the St. Louis area," Carr said. "We had a 17-day stretch where we played five of the best teams in the area, and he shut out their top players."

"He has great marking ability. He's really good at reading what's going on and being in the right place at the right time. He also played midfield quite a bit. He has excellent touch on the ball and great passing ability."

"With him and the other kids we have back, we should have another outstanding defense."



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Collinsville sophomore Chris Choate scored just two goals for the Kahoks this past fall but helped control the field for the Kahoks. Choate earned all-sectional honors and could become coach Ron Rowden's first four-year starter at Collinsville.

**Tim Liffitz, Edwardsville**  
This senior sweeper was named to the all-sectional team for his outstanding play this season.

"He was by far our best tackler and by far our best coverage defensive player," Schwarzkopf said. "He was really our vocal leader when we needed it. Most importantly, we had a lot of leaders by example but he may be the best for us. I honestly believe that he probably is certainly one of the best defenders that I have at Edwardsville High School since I have been here. That says a lot for him."

"The thing that separates him from other defenders that makes him so good is that I think he sees the game through the attacker's eyes. He really reads the game from the perspective of the opponent when they are in possession of the ball."

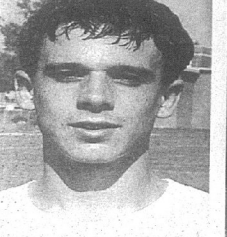
**Todd Bjerkas, O'Fallon**  
A three-year varsity veteran and a two-year starter, Bjerkas played sweeper as a senior and had 3 goals and 8 assists. He was the South Seven Conference Player of the Year.

"Todd is outstanding in school as well and is among the leaders in the senior class," said O'Fallon coach Art Voellinger. "He has excellent quickness and he's very durable. He was an integral part of us winning 18 games and going undefeated in the conference."

Bjerkas made a successful transition to sweeper after playing wing-back last season.

## Second team

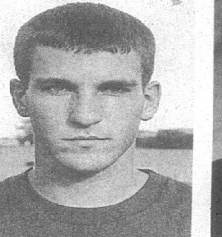
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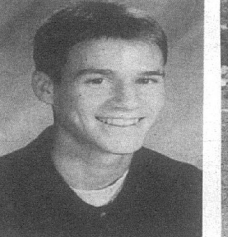
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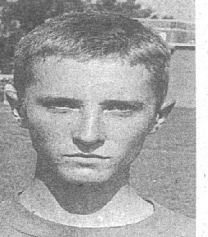
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## Evers

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matches. He was able to keep us in games."

Evers showed that "dimension" in all of his seasons games. His first brilliant performance came against Quincy. He followed that in the sectional semifinals against Collinsville. After the two teams played 100 minutes of scoreless soccer, Evers was the deciding factor in penalty kick round. Evers came up with two big saves against Collinsville PK attempts.

His best game came against two-time defending state champion St. Charles in the semifinals. The Tigers upset St. Charles 2-1 to advance to the finals.

"In the Quincy game, he was absolutely outstanding," Schwarzkopf said. "And the St. Charles match, those two matches I know he will remember for his lifetime." Evers, who is also an out-

standing baseball player, may have purposely saved his best soccer for the playoffs. Throughout his soccer career, Evers has performed at his best when the stakes were the greatest.

"From a psychological dimension of competition, he likes to be the difference in a match," Schwarzkopf said. "In a PK scenario, it is one against one. He likes to prove he can be the determining factor."

Two years ago, Evers was a talented sophomore goalkeeper who waited for the wings to sparkle. Evers was a back up to senior Brian "Dancing Bear" Stark. Evers got his first taste of the high school state tournament atmosphere when the Tigers reached the quarterfinals.

Last year was supposed to be Evers time to take over in the nets, but a problem with a dislocated shoulder forced him to miss almost the entire season.

son. Those two scenarios may have made Evers an even better goalkeeper for his senior year.

"If the injury helped him at all, it helped him to convince himself to hit the weights and get stronger and use the pre-tune to get face up with the goal. That began the process to avoid any possible injury," Schwarzkopf said. "He bulked up. He has got tremendous muscle mass. He is one strong, strong high school player."

"I think in the long run, (the injury) did help him. Obviously you never would like to see an injury like that happen. I think in a way it helped him refocus on a lot of the technical areas."

Evers plans to play both soccer and baseball at an NCAA Division I school next year. "He wants to do that and I think those are two viable options," Schwarzkopf said.

## STANDINGS

### PREP STANDINGS

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Southern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	GF GA
Granite City	0-0	1-0	5 4
Alton	0-0	1-0	4 1
Belleville West	0-0	0-0	0-0
Cahokia	0-0	0-0	0-0
O'Fallon	0-0	0-0	0-0
Collinsville	0-0	0-1	1 5
Belleville East	0-0	0-1	1 4

Northern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	PF PA
Roxana	0-0	0-0	0-0
Wood River	0-0	0-0	0-0
Plaza SW	0-0	0-0	0-0
Marquette	0-0	0-0	0-0
Edwardsville	0-0	0-1	1 4

#### Mississippi Valley

Team	Conf	Overall
Civil Memorial	0-0	0-0
Dupo	0-0	0-0
Jerseyville	0-0	0-0
Triad	0-0	0-0
Waterloo	0-0	0-0
Highland	0-0	0-1
Mascoutah	0-0	0-1

#### Cahokia

Team	Conf	Overall
Freeburg	0-0	0-0
Weslin	0-0	0-0
Carlyle	0-0	0-0
Bressa C.	0-0	0-0
Lebanon	0-0	0-0
New Athens	0-0	0-0

#### GIRLS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Alton	0-0	0-0	
Belleville East	0-0	0-0	
Belleville West	0-0	0-0	

#### South Seven

Team	Conf	Overall
O'Fallon	0-0	0-0

#### Independents

Team	Overall
Alton	1-0
Alton	1-0
Lincoln	1-0
Oxswille	1-0
Roxana	1-0
Madison	1-1
NE Lutheran	1-1
Gilbault	1-1
Valmeyer	0-0
Wood River	0-0

#### BOYS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Alton	0-0	0-0	
Belleville East	0-0	0-0	
Belleville West	0-0	0-0	
Collinsville	0-0	0-0	
Edwardsville	0-0	0-0	
Granite City	0-0	0-0	
St. Louis	0-0	0-0	



# Warriors loaded for possible banner season

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Granite City High School boys basketball coach John VanBuskirk has something on this year's team that he has often dreamed without: depth. So much depth, in fact, that VanBuskirk has not yet settled on a starting lineup. The front line is intact with junior Chris Tindall (6-foot-6) at center, senior Dustin Brewer (6-5) and sophomore Matt Pistorius (6-3) at forwards. Zack May, a 6-10 sophomore, will handle the chores at point guard. But it is the final position that is up for grabs.

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
Tim Wallace (6-1), Rocky Smith (6-2) and Juannell Goodwin (6-0) are fighting hard for that fifth slot in the lineup. "But this year it might not matter who starts a game," said VanBuskirk. "We have enough depth that we can substitute freely without lowering our level of play. Depending on what we want to do — what kind of style we want to play on a given night or at a given moment — we will substitute accordingly. Who actually starts a game won't be that important this year." The Warriors are coming off

a deceptive 11-13 season, where they played well when they were healthy. Well enough to beat Alton, which finished 24-6 and made it all the way to the Carbondale Super-Sectional. But a string of injuries and illnesses made for an inconsistent season.

If the Warriors can stay healthy, 1997-98 could be a banner campaign for VanBuskirk's boys. "We have some seniors who are very athletic and some underclassmen who are pretty good basketball players, so we ought to have a good mix this year," said VanBuskirk. "Mike Simpson and Juannell Goodwin are still recuperating from football injuries, and that could slow us down a bit early on, but if we can get everybody healthy, we're going to try to play with the big boys. We can be a very good team."

Perhaps the surprise team of the Southwestern Conference, The Warriors, who will have eight seniors on the squad, will



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Eight seniors lead the Granite City boys basketball team (from left to right): In front — Juannell Goodwin, Tim Wallace, Steve Graham, Jeff Hayden; In back — Brian Kamadulski, Dustin Brewer, Scott Laird, Rocky Smith.

run eight or nine players deep. And that's quality players. A fact that could give a lot of teams a lot of trouble.

"The conference, as always,

will be tough," admits VanBuskirk. "Belleville East will be very good again. Edwardsville has some kids who have grown and they'll be tough again. Alton will be a factor. And, of course, you can never count out Collinsville. But we're going to try to give even the big boys a run for their money."

And the endurance provided by depth may enable the Warriors to do just that.

Granite City opens the season at 5:30 p.m. Monday against Cahokia in the first round of the Alton River Bend Tip Off Classic. The Warriors

will play Springfield Lanphier (7 p.m.) on Wednesday, Alton (7 p.m.) on Friday, and both Madison (11 a.m.) and Jerseyville (7 p.m.) on Saturday. "Only two weeks of practice, and then five games in six days scares me," VanBuskirk said. "It feels almost like an extended practice, only the games count on the won/lost record. But I think our depth will help us with that kind of schedule. We shouldn't be as tired as some other teams that lack our depth."

Right now, VanBuskirk is concerned with making believers of his players. "It's a lot easier to win if you believe you can win," he explained. "We want our kids to have confidence in themselves. After all, they have every reason to be confident. We want them to believe in what they can do, to work hard for a goal, and to make it happen."

This team can make it happen.

## •Shoot•

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"And that's why a lot of people stay around," Hoffmann said of the raffle. "A lot of families came. That's how our goes. Most of them (turkey shoots) are like that."

The Fountain Inn is serving as host to another Turkey Shoot this weekend. The Columbia Blue Jays are conducting their event today.

In the past, the Blue Jays had their turkey shoot with a Breitenstein this year, at the Sports Page in Duplo.

Blue Jays president Bo Buechler said the shoot typically draws anywhere from 600 to 700 people. "They're usually pretty good," said Buechler, whose Fee Wee squad won the Tri-County championship with a 20-13 win over the Belleville Devils on Nov. 15. "It's a little different this year. It's about our biggest money maker. A lot of people are coming in."

The event, which benefits the entire Blue Jays organization, roughly grosses \$2,000 to \$3,000 each year.

Among the prizes this year are turkeys, full-sized hams — a couple of which are donated yearly by Giant and Mike Stump — filet mignon rounds and pork chops.

Attendance prizes include sausage and bacon.

Since the shoot is at the Fountain Inn, the Blue Jays will operate a concession stand and sell their own food.

"It will be kind of interesting," said Buechler, who added that 30 to 40 people help coordinate the event. "It's always a lot of fun and a lot of work."

The format is identical to Valmeyer's Turkey Shoot, where the closest shot to the middle of the target wins.

(Journal columnist Ron Colyer contributed information to this story.)

## •Voellinger•

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Former Waterloo pitcher Father Ed Hustedde, also inducted into the Hall of Fame, said he was "a voice from the past of a previous era of baseball."

"That's when a starting pitcher felt bad if he did not complete a ninth-inning game," said the current pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Valmeyer, who also had a humorous suggestion for the Major League Baseball rules committee.

"They should give credit for each time a pitcher warms up," said Hustedde. "They have all these other categories for stoppers and closers, why not have an incentive bonus for warming up?"

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**Sunday, Nov. 23**  
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**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 23).** A discovery opens up new worlds to you. Stay busy next month, and you will be happier than ever. Several shifts in your emotional life happen between December and February, but you settle down by March. One person is made increasingly happy by your efforts. Taurus and Libra are fantastically loving.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Ideas are backed by force and power. Maintain fresh and close associations, and watch life surprise you with the results. If you can't be somewhere in person, stay in touch by other means.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Let your partner know you may now be as domestic as you'll ever be. Get a handle on finances and business. Freedom from routine comes from reading something new and going out with new friends.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You experience a strong drive to communicate opinions. The spirit of enterprise continues to be on the rise. Those in leadership positions are willing to put themselves on the line when it counts the most.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** A social gathering leads to a confrontation with a loved one. Work out a problem by discussing it with a third party, perhaps a Libra. Your personal magnetism attracts anyone you choose.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 23).** Chores left undone cause unnecessary friction. Clear the deadwood from your life. Keeping secrets is a must. Next year gives you more time to wander off on your own. You achieve success through education.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Decisions regarding home and property are made quickly and painlessly. Creative energy is flowing more freely in the afternoon, so pick up that paper or paint, and start your project.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Funds are best concentrated in one place, though a partner may disagree. You need to meet a loved one in the end on emotional matters. You can



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**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Investing your time pays off better than expected. Your patience is tried by an overbearing relative. Money is spent on unnecessary equipment. Personal power is far stronger than you think.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Push yourself to accomplish more. Draw artistic inspiration from solitude or a

journey. Your records are important to a relative. Time outdoors brings couples closer. A Scorpio reads your thoughts.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Someone needs to be reminded to keep his or her end of the bargain. Stretch your money by making purchases for the home on sale. Your lap-top computer may become your best friend.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You'll achieve blockbuster success if you're willing to trust decisions from within. In love affairs, the bubble bursts for some of you, and yet there's something spiritual that comes out of it all. A calmer sea develops.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Increased freedom of expression comes to you. Entertain selected friends. Expect more of yourself now that you are more educated. Hot new projects around the corner require you to be open to new ideas.

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I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 1:15, 7:15  
Mad City (PG-13) 3:30, 9:30

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Starship Troopers (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:15  
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 2:45, 5:15, 7:45  
The Jackal (R) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00  
The Little Mermaid (G) 2:00, 4:10, 6:30  
Anastasia (G) 2:15, 4:30, 6:45

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Mad City (PG-13) 1:05, 7:30  
Soul Food (R) 4:10, 9:50  
Red Corner (R) 1:05, 4:30, 7:25, 10:00  
Fairy Tale (PG) 1:25  
One Night Stand (R) 4:35, 7:30, 9:55  
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:45  
The Little Mermaid (G) 1:15, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30  
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**4 Across** Teen-age  
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**7 Across** Hitchhiker  
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**9 Across** Thy Neighbor  
**10 Across** Tiny animal  
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**18 Across** Translated  
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**20 Across** English brow  
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**22 Across** Catch on  
**23 Across** Bottomless pit  
**24 Across** Break fast  
**25 Across** Light dispenser  
**26 Across** AT&T rival  
**27 Across** Western  
**28 Across** Alliance, for short  
**29 Across** Woo  
**30 Across** Sated bar item  
**31 Across** Baby's bears  
**32 Across** Urban prides  
**33 Across** Mink's bride  
**34 Across** Chemical compound  
**35 Across** Play hard to get  
**36 Across** Role for Gint  
**37 Across** Asian tongue  
**38 Across** Pulpit  
**39 Across** You-Me-Me  
**40 Across** Sam Cooke hit  
**41 Across** Hey-day word  
**42 Across** Delectable  
**43 Across** Rock partner  
**44 Across** Nasty political opponent  
**45 Across** Jumpy  
**46 Across** Send covering  
**47 Across** Unfriendly  
**48 Across** Season  
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**50 Across** Walk unsteadily  
**51 Across** Defensible  
**52 Across** Type of case  
**53 Across** Larva locale

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**19 Down** Diamonds, for example  
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**23 Down** Pulitzer Prize  
**24 Down** Novel, with "The"  
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**452-3500**

**MAGNIFICENT ANTEBELLUM** w/marble entry, walnut staircase, twin porches. Stucco w/jennette range, island & cherry cabinets. Luxury master bath. Large barn shop with heating/AC and bathroom. \$8024 \$289,500. Wes Wagner/Linda Shaffer

**IDEAL INVESTMENT** property for someone looking for home plus property. Main residence is 5 rooms, 2 bedrooms with cathedral ceiling, screened porch and oversized garage. Rental property immediately adjacent. \$6098 \$74,900 Diana Wilmseyer/L. Shale

**OPEN HOUSE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 12-3 PM**  
Lovely brick 1 1/2 story with several updates. Family room addition has vaulted ceiling, skylights, lots of windows overlooking back yard with several blue spruce & fir trees for complete privacy. Oak cabinetry, light oak floor, throughout. \$6102 \$63,500 Norma Weller/Diana Wilmseyer

**BRICK RANCH, 3 bedrooms.** Great location. Large kitchen, plaster walls, basement. Fenced. \$5100 \$50,000 Brad Wallace

**REDUCED!** Well maintained and updated 3 bedroom ranch, low maintenance siding, attic fan, programmable thermostat. Washer, dryer and hot tub stay. Large lot. \$5122 \$52,000 Chris Stopleton.

**DON'T MISS THIS ONE!** 3 bedroom home that has lots to offer. Has 2 baths, family dining room, large kitchen and oversized lot. \$5072 \$53,900 Elizabeth Tribes

**Century 21**

**Bailey & Co.**

**877-7653**

2126 Pontion Rd.  
We carry the #1 name in real estate

**OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 1-3**

**4925 REDWOOD**  
FOR APPROXIMATELY 1% - of sale price, you could be in this 3 bedroom home on a large lot. There is a new program out to help you.

**FEATURED HOME**

2544 Jerden 2545 Ivy 1424 Grand

**MADISON COUNTY HOME GRANTS AVAILABLE.** As little as approximately 1% down. Call our office to see if you qualify.

**HOMES AND BUSINESSES**

**THE PRICE IS RIGHT - 3 BR.** formal dining room, full bath, 1 car det garage. Furnace, C/A & water heater only 6 mos old in 2012.

**PRICE REDUCED!** Owner anxious to sell Edge of town country setting. 2 BR frame on large lot w/own garage, covered porch. 1 Year Home Warranty. C2132 lots of kitchen cabinets. C2129

**NEAT & CLEAN** well kept home - 3 BR., 1 1/4 baths, full bath, wood deck & COMMERCIAL BLDG. - presently used as auto parts store & auto repair shop. Large big w/office, open bay area, warehouse, asphalt parking. C2143

**IF BEAUTY IS YOUR BUSINESS.** Call about this prime location for hair/nail salon. C2160

**BUSINESS MINDED!** Existing gas station & convenience mart, located just off the interstate, could put \$25 in your pocket. Creative financing available.

**BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED** - attractive 3 BR w/2 add! BR & family room w/fireplace in finished basement, enclosed screened porch. C2146

**VERY NICE BRICK COMBO** w/spacious living room, nicely decorated w/wallpaper, tile & ceiling fans throughout, lots of kitchen cabinets, enclosed patio, garage, huge landscaped yard. C2159

**Giving You The Quality Service You Deserve**

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Coldwell Banker Brown Realtors proudly announces the addition of Judine Lux and Christine Miller to their real estate sales staff. Judine and Chris are both full-time, experienced Realtors. They have been partners for over six years, which has allowed them to offer a higher level of service to all of their clients. Judine and Chris have been consistent million-dollar producers and are extremely committed to achieving the goals of each of their clients. Please contact them for any real estate needs at their new office 452-3500.

Judine Lux Christine Miller

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Prices Drop During Winter, Enjoy Savings 30% to 40%

A Perfect Gift to a loved one!

All Home Remodeling.

John Parker

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3207 Maryville Rd.  
Granite City, IL  
**451-2793**

Apartment Exchange, Inc.  
Owner/Broker

**1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS and 2 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 BATH TOWNHOUSE VILLAGE LANE APARTMENTS**

Entrance into Pontion  
Manager 3020 Village Lane, Apt. C 931-5356

**PONTON PLAZA APARTMENTS**

\*2 Bedrooms \*Living Room With Dining Area \*Complete Kitchen \*Bath \*Full Central Air Conditioning \*Full Basement \*Walk To Wal-Mart \*Cosmetic Tile Bath

FOR INFORMATION & APPLICATION FOR LEASE Call 931-1530  
APARTMENT MANAGER IN APT. #69  
BOTH APARTMENT COMPLEXES HAVE POOLS!

**IDLEWOOD Estates**

WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

- 1 & 2 Bedroom Apts
- Town Homes
- Off Frt. Maintenance
- 24 Hour Security
- Open 6 Days a Week
- No Section 8, No HUD

**(618) 345-8589**  
89 Idlebrook Dr. • Collinsville, IL  
Mon-Fri. 8-5 • Sat. 8-2

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**1ST ANNUAL INVENTORY BLOW-OUT SALE!**

**WE COULDN'T GIVE THEM AWAY FOR LESS!**

Examples:

Year	Make	Model	Size	Break Even
1997	Dodge	5002DP	45-44228	\$29,670
1997	Dodge	5002DP	45-44228	\$41,779
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1997	Dodge	5010SD	50-56228	\$45,919

\*Any price quoted sales are subject to any additional cost of application.

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**LARGE 2 BEDROOM TOWNHOUSE**

First class apartment, new carpet, new kitchen, new floor, new paint, new appliances, new furnace, new water heater, new roof, new siding, new windows, new doors, new garage, new driveway, new landscaping, new everything.

**288-8083**

**MARYLAND MANOR APARTMENTS**

2 and 3 Bedroom Apts. available. Rents from \$495/mo. Heat incl. on garden apts. Large rooms w/private storage area. Pool. Central Air. Laundry facilities on site. On bus line, kids can walk to schools. Wabash at Pontion Road, Granite City.

**Call 931-8748**

**WESTGATE APARTMENTS AND TOWNHOMES**

located in Pontion Beach near I-270

**2 MONTH'S FREE**

- 1 Bd. apt. available
- all utilities inc. on select units
- 2 Bd. apts and townhomes newly renovated
- patios and balconies avail.
- W/D hookup in 2 Bd. units
- on site laundry facilities
- 24 hour emergency maint.

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**OPEN 1 TO 4 PM SUNDAY**

**2312 HODGES**

**\$800 DOWN \$225.00 MO. FHA**

Spend Christmas in this wonderful home. It has two bedrooms, kitchen with range and refrigerator, living room with gas fireplace, full bathroom, central air, and a large front porch. Home is located on a quiet street. This is your chance to own a fine home for \$800.00 down and \$225.00 monthly payment includes taxes and insurance. Don't let this one pass you by. Call John Sobol at 931-0200 anytime. Stop renting, start owning today! FHA approved. (P.O. APR 97) - \$225.00 Come see this super clean home. Less than \$1000 yr. income owner can buy.

**Manufactured Housing**

**1270 on IL Rt. 250 - Granite City, IL**

**X-MAS SELLATHON**

**500.00 to 1000.00**

\$500 SHOPPING SPREE TO ALL NEW HOME CUSTOMERS PURCHASED AFTER 11-16-97 AND DELIVERED BY 1-1-98

**FREE CONCRETE PIER ON FRV. PROP. OR FREE RENT IN PARK OF YOUR CHOICE**

**INTEREST RATES AS LOW AS 7.99% FINANCED**

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**DON'T PAY RENT IN JANUARY 1998!**

(on select units)

**TAKE \$100-\$200 OFF ALL OTHER APARTMENTS IN JANUARY 1998**

APPLY THIS WEEK & RECEIVE FREE HEAT THRU APRIL 1998!

**RAINTEARE APARTMENTS**

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VISIT US AND RECEIVE 2 FREE MOVIE PASSES WHILE SUPPLY LAST!

**Gobble Up The Savings**

**NO PAYMENTS TIL '98**

**PACKAGE: NEW DOUBLE WIDES**

4 or 2 Bedroom, 2 Baths, Fireplace, Furniture Package, Side-by-Side Refrigerator, Dishwasher

**Payments Starting Less Than \$290/mo.**

**LOW DOWN PAYMENTS**

**REBATES UP TO \$750!**

Must Have Coupon - Storefront Homes, Inc.

**No Let Rent For Up To 2 Years**

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6 Rooms, Utility, Furnished, electric, \$77-757 or \$24,000 cash.

**SPACIOUS 2 BR. Apt. Avail**

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2 Bedrooms, 2 Bath, Full Kitchen, Full Bath, Full Basement, Full Central Air, Full Siding, Full Windows, Full Doors, Full Landscaping, Full Everything.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES L. JONES, JR., DECEASED

Notice is given of the death of the above on December 28, 1997. Date Letters were issued: October 28, 1997.

Executors: Gary Withers, 2525 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040

Attorney: Robert A. Koenen, 1818 Olive Ave., Granite City, IL 62040

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Court, Probate Division, County Courthouse in Florence, Illinois, on or before May 6, 1998, being a date not less than three months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Any claim not so filed on or before said date is barred as to all of the Decedent's Estate. Also, copies of claims must be mailed or delivered to the executor above designated.

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